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NEW RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION IN JUNE 2003

BUILDING PERMITS

Privately-owned housing units authorized by building permits in June were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,817,000, according to estimates reported today by the U.S. Commerce Department's Census Bureau. This is 0.8 percent ($\pm 0.8\%$) above the revised May rate of 1,803,000 and is 4.1 percent ($\pm 1.1\%$) above the June 2002 estimate of 1,746,000.

Single-family authorizations in June were at a rate of 1,421,000; this is 5.3 percent ($\pm 0.8\%$) above the May figure of 1,349,000. Authorizations of units in buildings with five units or more were at a rate of 323,000 in June.

HOUSING STARTS

Privately-owned housing starts in June were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,803,000. This is 3.7 percent ($\pm 6.9\%$) above the revised May estimate of 1,738,000 and is 5.5 percent ($\pm 6.5\%$) above the June 2002 rate of 1,709,000.

Single-family housing starts in June 2003 were at a rate of 1,462,000; this is 5.3 percent ($\pm 6.9\%$) above the May figure of 1,388,000. The June estimate for units in buildings with five units or more was 312,000.

HOUSING COMPLETIONS

Privately-owned housing completions in June were at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,673,000, according to estimates released jointly today by the U.S. Census Bureau and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. This is 4.0 percent $(\pm 8.3\%)$ below the revised May estimate of 1,743,000, but is 5.2 percent $(\pm 8.3\%)$ above the June 2002 rate of 1,591,000.

Single-family housing completions in June 2003 were at a rate of 1,354,000; this is 2.7 percent ($\pm 8.0\%$) below the May figure of 1,391,000. The June rate for units in buildings with five units or more was 296,000.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

In interpreting changes in the statistics in this release, note that month-to-month changes in seasonally adjusted statistics often show movements which may be irregular. It June take 4 months to establish an underlying trend for building permit authorizations, 5 months for total starts, and 6 months for total completions. The statistics in this release are estimated from sample surveys and are subject to sampling variability as well as nonsampling error including bias and variance from response, nonreporting, and undercoverage. Estimated relative standard errors of the most recent data are shown in the tables. Whenever a statement such as "2.5 percent $(\pm 3.2\%)$ above" appears in the text, this indicates the range (-0.7 to +5.7 percent) in which the actual percent change is likely to have occurred. All ranges given for percent changes are 90-percent confidence intervals and account only for sampling variability. If a range contains zero, it is uncertain whether there was an increase or decrease; that is, the change is not statistically significant. The same applies to the confidence intervals for percent changes shown in the tables. On average, the preliminary seasonally adjusted estimates of total building permits, housing starts and housing completions are revised about one percent. Explanations of confidence intervals and sampling variability can be found on our web site listed below.

New Residential Construction data for July will be released on Tuesday, August 19, 2003, at 8:30 A.M. EDT.

Our Internet site is: http://www.census.gov/newresconst

Table 1. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Authorized in Permit-Issuing Places

			United	States		North	neast	Mid	west	Soi	ıth	We	est
	Period		In st	ructures wi	th								
	Terrou			2 to 4	5 units								
		Total	1 unit	units	or more	Total	1 unit	Total sted annual	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
		T											
2002:	June	1,746	1,309	82	355	173	125	349	256	808	600	416	328
	July	1,742	1,312	70	360	179	125	354	254	798	601	411	332
	August September	1,704 1,803	1,319 1,372	73 91	312 340	165 181	119 132	346 368	253 271	773 786	605 621	420 468	342 348
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	October November	1,813 1,764	1,390 1,377	71 70	352 317	173 161	128 123	364 340	270 275	800 776	617 616	476 487	375 363
	December	1,907	1,420	77	410	180	136	394	287	869	642	464	355
2003:	January	1,777	1,406	87	284	157	119	354	277	796	620	470	390
	February	1,786	1,319	78	389	170	100	308	250	777	595	531	374
	March	1,688	1,311	71	306	150	106	324	257	777	607	437	341
	April	1,724	1,332	82	310	152	110	341	258	784 819	622	447	342 349
	May ^r	1,803	1,349	84	370	166	111	343	262	819	627	475	349
	June ^p	1,817	1,421	73	323	154	116	385	281	837	664	441	360
Avera	ge RSE (%) ¹	1	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Perce	nt Change:												
	June 2003 from May 2003	0.8%	5.3%	-13.1%	-12.7%	-7.2%	4.5%	12.2%	7.3%	2.2%	5.9%	-7.2%	3.2%
	90% Confidence Interval ³	± 0.8	± 0.8	± 1.9	± 1.5	± 1.4	± 1.6	± 1.8	± 2.1	± 1.3	± 1.5	± 1.7	± 1.9
	June 2003 from June 2002	4.1%	8.6%	-11.0%	-9.0%	-11.0%	-7.2%	10.3%	9.8%	3.6%	10.7%	6.0%	9.8%
	90% Confidence Interval ³	± 1.1	± 0.9	\pm 12.4	± 1.7	± 2.8	± 3.2	± 1.7	± 2.0	± 1.7	± 1.9	± 2.3	± 2.6
							Not seasona	ally adjusted	i				
2001		1,636.7	1,235.6	66.0	335.2	159.8	117.7	333.6	252.5	730.3	556.9	413.0	308.5
2002		1,747.7	1,332.6	73.7	341.4	173.7	126.6	352.4	263.4	790.7	606.5	430.9	336.2
RSE (%)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)	(X)
	Year to Date ²	856.3	663.3	36.0	157.0	82.0	59.5	164.1	126.8	403.0	311.5	207.2	165.6
2003:	Year to Date ²	898.7	701.6	38.2	158.8	77.4	54.4	167.1	131.4	415.9	329.2	238.2	186.7
RSE (%)	(Z)	1	2	(Z)	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Year to Date Percent Change 4	4.9%	5.8%	6.1%	1.1%	-5.6%	-8.6%	1.9%	3.6%	3.2%	5.7%	14.9%	12.8%
	90% Confidence Interval ³	± 0.8	± 1.0	± 4.1	± 0.9	± 2.4	± 2.9	± 1.0	± 1.1	± 0.7	± 0.8	± 1.6	± 1.8
2002:	June	158.0	118.9	7.8	31.3	16.8	11.9	31.9	24.4	69.6	52.0	39.8	30.6
	July	159.3	122.4	6.0	30.9	17.3	12.3	33.8	24.9	70.6	54.0	37.6	31.1
	August	153.7	119.8	6.6	27.3	15.5	11.2	31.8	23.8	68.7	54.3	37.6	30.4
	September	149.5	110.1	8.0	31.4	15.2	11.2	32.1	23.1	63.6	48.0	38.5	27.7
	October	162.9	123.0	7.0	32.9	16.2	12.0	36.2	26.0	68.6	52.3	41.9	32.8
	November December	126.8 135.8	96.0 94.6	5.3 5.6	25.6 35.5	12.4 12.6	9.1 9.0	25.2 26.7	19.7 17.2	55.6 63.0	42.8 44.1	33.5 33.4	24.4 24.3
2003:	January February	121.6 124.2	95.3 91.2	5.4 5.2	20.8 27.7	9.3 9.4	6.9 5.5	18.6 17.9	13.9 13.7	60.8 59.5	47.5 46.2	32.9 37.4	27.0 25.7
	March	143.5	114.1	5.8	23.6	11.7	8.4	26.6	21.5	67.5	54.2	37.8	30.1
	April	161.8	130.2	7.5	24.1	14.6	10.6	34.4	27.3	71.5	58.9	41.3	33.4
	May ^r	167.1	129.5	7.4	30.1	16.1	11.3	33.6	27.0	74.3	58.2	43.1	33.1
	June ^p	171.3	134.8	7.1	29.4	15.2	11.6	37.2	28.0	75.9	60.6	43.1	34.7

Preliminary. Fewised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards.

X Not applicable. Z Relative standard error is less than 0.5 percent.

¹Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.
²Reflects revisions not distributed to months.

³ See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals

⁴ Computed using unrounded data.

Table 2. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Authorized, but Not Started, at End of Period

[Not seasonally adjusted. Thousands of units. Detail may not add to total because of rounding]

			United	States		Northeast		Midwest		South		West	
	Period		In structures with										
				2 to 4	5 units								
		Total	1 unit	units	or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2002:	June	142.8	90.0	4.5	48.3	17.0	10.2	22.5	16.2	70.9	43.2	32.4	20.4
	July	140.8	90.7	4.8	45.2	18.3	12.4	17.4	13.8	73.0	44.4	32.1	20.2
	August	150.1	101.3	5.6	43.2	16.6	11.1	23.1	18.0	74.7	48.2	35.7	24.0
	September	140.9	92.1	3.1	45.7	14.8	10.4	19.9	16.2	71.5	45.6	34.8	19.9
	October	155.1	100.9	4.5	49.8	16.5	11.5	23.6	18.6	78.4	48.3	36.5	22.4
	November	150.8	96.5	4.7	49.6	16.7	11.5	18.8	15.6	77.5	47.0	37.9	22.4
	December	154.9	97.2	4.7	53.0	16.6	11.8	19.5	15.2	81.7	48.4	37.2	21.8
2003:	January	158.6	101.4	4.2	53.0	18.3	13.3	19.5	14.6	85.4	52.0	35.4	21.5
	February	170.9	108.4	4.8	57.6	19.1	13.7	22.7	16.6	89.8	55.5	39.3	22.6
	March	170.2	107.8	5.1	57.4	18.6	13.7	25.0	19.1	87.9	52.0	38.8	23.0
	April ^r	180.1	113.8	5.7	60.6	19.8	12.9	29.2	21.8	92.4	55.7	38.7	23.4
	May ^r	185.6	116.3	6.0	63.4	21.7	13.1	28.2	20.7	96.2	58.4	39.5	24.1
	June ^p	188.4	116.8	6.6	65.0	21.9	14.7	28.3	19.6	100.1	60.0	38.2	22.6
Avera	ge RSE (%) ¹	3	4	16	7	9	12	10	9	5	5	5	9
Perce	ent Change: ²												
	June 2003 from May 2003	1.5%	0.5%	10.0%	2.6%	0.8%	12.4%	0.5%	-5.5%	4.0%	2.8%	-3.4%	-6.4%
	90% Confidence Interval ³	± 3.3	± 4.3	\pm 16.3	± 6.6	± 8.8	± 14.5	± 9.1	± 9.3	± 4.1	± 5.2	± 8.7	\pm 12.7
	June 2003 from June 2002	31.9%	29.8%	47.8%	34.5%	28.8%	44.4%	25.7%	20.6%	41.2%	38.8%	17.7%	10.7%
	90% Confidence Interval ³	± 9.5	± 8.8	± 48.2	± 23.3	± 19.4	± 22.9	± 25.8	± 19.3	± 15.9	± 13.1	± 16.4	\pm 19.4

^pPreliminary. ^rRevised. RSE Relative Standard Error.

Note: These data represent the number of housing units authorized in all months up to and including the last day of the reporting period and not started as of that date without regard to the months of original permit issuance. Cancelled, abandoned, expired, and revoked permits are excluded.

¹Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

² Computed using unrounded data.

³ See the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals.

Table 3. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Started

			United	States		Nortl	neast	Mid	west	So	uth	W	est
	Period		In st	tructures wi	th								
	Terrou			2 to 4	5 units	m . 1							
		Total	1 unit	units	or more	Total	1 unit	Total sted annual	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
2002:	June	1,709	1,359	(S)	303	176	131	344	293	779	601	410	334
	July	1,666	1,329	(S)	306	159	96	367	291	753	614	387	328
	August September	1,630 1,810	1,249 1,449	(S) (S)	350 324	169 176	120 118	333 389	230 291	768 805	604 669	360 440	295 371
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	October November	1,653 1,760	1,366 1,403	(S) (S)	254 323	145 144	116 109	321 379	251 300	702 807	617 658	485 430	382 336
	December	1,815	1,462	(S)	318	162	115	386	322	792	645	475	380
2003:	January	1,828	1,509	(S)	278	145	115	349	327	820	646	514	421
	February	1,640	1,312	(S)	298	142	98	279	247	759	602	460	365
	March	1,742	1,393	(S)	313	155	112	351	281	814	680	422	320
	April ^r	1,627	1,357	(S)	239	150 142	130	319	283 294	724 785	589	434 450	355 360
	May ^r	1,738	1,388	(S)	326	142	114	361	294	/83	620	430	300
	June ^p	1,803	1,462	(S)	312	156	99	358	289	803	671	486	403
Averag	ge RSE (%) ¹	3	3	(X)	10	10	12	7	7	4	4	5	6
Perce	nt Change:												
	June 2003 from May 2003	3.7%	5.3%	(S)	-4.3%	9.9%	-13.2%	-0.8%	-1.7%	2.3%	8.2%	8.0%	11.9%
	90% Confidence Interval ²	± 6.9	\pm 6.9	(X)	± 24.9	± 15.7	± 18.3	± 11.5	± 13.7	± 11.7	± 10.5	± 14.3	± 14.7
	June 2003 from June 2002	5.5%	7.6%	(S)	3.0%	-11.4%	-24.4%	4.1%	-1.4%	3.1%	11.6%	18.5%	20.7%
	90% Confidence Interval ²	± 6.5	± 7.2	(X)	± 25.9	± 15.8	± 15.7	± 13.5	± 14.6	± 10.5	± 12.1	± 12.3	± 14.2
							Not seasona	ally adjusted	i				
2001		1,602.7	1,273.3	36.6	292.8	149.2	110.8	330.4	269.3	732.0	590.3	391.1	303.0
2002		1,704.9	1,358.6	38.5	307.9	158.4	117.8	349.6	276.7	781.5	628.2	415.5	335.8
RSE (%)	1	1	12	3	2	1	2	2	1	2	1	2
	Year to Date	843.5	679.3	20.8	143.4	74.2	58.1	163.0	133.6	403.3	321.7	203.0	165.9
2003:	Year to Date	862.3	708.1	14.9	139.3	69.6	52.1	163.6	139.5	398.1	327.8	231.0	188.6
RSE (%)	3	3	21	11	8	12	5	5	4	4	6	6
	Year to Date Percent Change 3	2.2%	4.2%	-28.5%	-2.8%	-6.2%	-10.3%	0.4%	4.5%	-1.3%	1.9%	13.8%	13.7%
	90% Confidence Interval ²	± 2.1	± 2.0	\pm 19.2	± 7.8	± 6.4	± 4.9	± 5.1	± 4.1	± 2.7	± 2.9	± 5.1	± 4.7
2002:	June	160.3	130.1	4.0	26.2	17.5	13.6	35.4	31.0	70.3	54.9	37.1	30.5
	July	155.9	125.2	2.9	27.8	14.9	9.2	35.5	28.5	68.2	55.6	37.2	31.9
	August September	147.0 155.6	111.4 124.0	2.9 3.2	32.6 28.4	16.5 15.9	12.0 10.8	31.0 34.5	21.4 25.9	67.3 67.5	52.0 55.6	32.1 37.8	26.0 31.7
	September	133.0	124.0	3.2	20.4	13.9	10.8	34.3	23.9	67.3	33.0	37.6	31./
	October November	146.8 133.0	118.8 102.6	3.2 2.9	24.9 27.5	13.4 12.0	10.5 9.0	30.7 30.5	23.9 23.8	60.7 59.5	52.4 46.8	42.0 31.1	32.0 23.1
	December	123.1	97.2	2.6	23.3	11.6	8.1	24.4	19.7	54.9	44.1	32.2	25.3
2003:	January	117.8	95.9	2.8	19.0	7.8	5.8	17.7	16.2	57.6	45.7	34.7	28.3
	February	109.7	88.1	2.0	19.6	7.9	5.0	15.0	12.9	55.4	45.0	31.4	25.1
	-			2.8	24.3	12.0	8.7	26.8	21.4	71.8	61.4	36.6	28.6
	March	147.2	120.1										
	March April ^r	151.2	128.2	2.7	20.4	13.2	11.4	30.7	27.6	66.9	55.4 57.9	40.4	33.7
	March April ^f May ^r	151.2 164.8	128.2 134.0	2.7 2.1	28.7	13.8	11.3	36.4	30.5	72.4	57.9	42.2	34.3
	March April ^r	151.2	128.2	2.7									

^pPreliminary. ^rRevised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards. X Not applicable.

¹Average RSE for the latest 6-month period.

³ Computed using unrounded data.

 $^{^2\,\}mathrm{See}$ the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals

Table 4. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Under Construction at End of Period

		United States		North	Northeast		Midwest		South		West		
	Period		In st	ructures wi	th								
	renod			2 to 4	5 units								
		Total	1 unit	units	or more	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit	Total	1 unit
							Seasonall	y adjusted					
2002:	June	1,021	688	(S)	304	118	74	206	152	431	291	266	171
	July	1,024	692	(S)	303	120	72	209	155	429	292	266	173
	August	1,011	682	(S)	303	120	73	205	150	428	290	258	169
	September	1,024	691	(S)	307	124	73	207	150	432	294	261	174
	October	1,026	696	(S)	304	125	73	208	149	426	294	267	180
	November	1,030	694	(S)	309	125	73	211	149	429	296	265	176
	December	1,039	703	(S)	309	127	75	214	151	432	299	266	178
2003:	January	1,054	721	(S)	307	126	76	218	156	436	302	274	187
	February	1,052	719	(S)	307	121	74	217	154	437	303	277	188
	March	1,053	724	(S)	304	124	76	214	154	441	309	274	185
	April ^r	1,046	724	(S)	298	122	77	211	154	436	304	277	189
	May ^r	1,047	722	(S)	302	119	77	213	155	436	302	279	188
	June ^p	1,052	727	(S)	301	118	76	212	156	439	304	283	191
Avera	ge RSE (%) ¹	1	2	(X)	3	3	3	4	5	2	3	2	3
Perce	ent Change:												
	June 2003 from May 2003	0.5%	0.7%	(S)	-0.3%	-0.8%	-1.3%	-0.5%	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	1.4%	1.6%
	90% Confidence Interval ²	± 0.8	± 1.0	(X)	± 1.9	± 3.1	± 2.7	± 1.5	± 1.4	± 1.2	± 1.4	± 1.6	± 2.5
	June 2003 from June 2002	3.0%	5.7%	(S)	-1.0%	0.0%	2.7%	2.9%	2.6%	1.9%	4.5%	6.4%	11.7%
	90% Confidence Interval ²	± 2.1	± 2.2	(X)	± 5.5	± 5.7	± 6.0	± 5.3	± 4.6	± 3.0	± 3.3	± 4.3	± 5.2
]	Not seasona	ally adjusted	l				
2002:	June	1,045.7	710.3	28.7	306.7	119.6	75.2	213.3	159.1	442.7	301.1	270.2	174.9
	July	1,064.9	730.4	28.9	305.6	123.3	75.1	221.5	167.2	444.7	306.2	275.3	181.9
	August	1,045.5	719.2	25.4	300.9	123.0	76.3	214.8	160.4	440.7	303.8	266.9	178.6
	September	1,053.8	722.8	25.7	305.3	127.4	76.5	215.7	158.9	441.6	304.3	269.1	183.1
	October	1,057.0	723.0	26.6	307.3	129.8	77.0	217.5	157.6	434.5	301.3	275.3	187.1
	November	1,039.7	700.1	27.2	312.3	128.3	75.9	214.2	151.4	430.7	296.2	266.5	176.6
	December	1,001.2	668.8	26.3	306.0	125.0	73.8	207.1	145.0	413.0	280.8	256.0	169.2
2003:	January	1,005.2	675.2	25.4	304.6	122.2	72.6	206.1	144.8	415.6	282.6	261.3	175.2
	February March	999.4	671.6	25.6	302.2	115.0	68.7	201.9	140.2	418.6	286.8	263.9	175.9
	iviaicii	1,014.2	687.6	24.4	302.3	119.6	71.8	200.9	141.0	429.3	298.5	264.5	176.3
	April ^r	1,032.2 1,056.5	708.8 728.7	23.8 23.6	299.6 304.3	120.7 118.0	75.2 76.0	202.8 213.6	146.0 155.0	435.3 444.0	302.7 308.6	273.4 281.0	185.0 189.0
	May ^r												
	June ^p	1,079.9	752.8	23.8	303.3	118.5	76.5	221.0	164.6	450.7	315.3	289.6	196.5
Avera	ge RSE (%) ¹	1	2	9	3	3	3	4	5	2	3	2	3

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Table 5. New Privately-Owned Housing Units Completed

			United	States		North	neast	Mid	west	So	uth	W	est
	Period		In st	ructures wi	th								
	1 Orlod	т.,	1 1/	2 to 4	5 units	ar t	1 5	ar t	1 - 2	Tr. 1	1 - 2	m t	1 - 1
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2002:	June	1,591	1,278	(S)	279	159	119	248	202	748	603	436	354
	July	1,612	1,275	(S)	306	141	117	309	236	764	607	398	315
	August September	1,705 1,655	1,324 1,340	(S) (S)	334 283	161 133	113 110	358 342	287 278	754 758	599 628	432 422	325 324
	October November	1,591 1,706	1,286 1,394	(S) (S)	279 284	132 157	108 112	311 356	263 302	758 731	608 608	390 462	307 372
	December	1,674	1,353	(S)	290	134	102	339	289	763	623	438	339
2003:	January	1,647	1,314	(S)	284	140	99	282	248	795	628	430	339
	February	1,672	1,326	(S)	321	210	128	309	283	732	568	421	347
	March	1,621	1,293	(S)	281	118	77	348	275	729	598	426	343
	April ^r	1,680	1,371	(S)	270	149 189	106	359	289	766 759	647	406	329 379
	May ^r	1,743	1,391	(S)	322	109	122	341	257	739	633	454	319
	June ^p	1,673	1,354	(S)	296	163	104	329	239	755	648	426	363
Avera	ge RSE (%) ¹	4	4	(X)	13	15	11	10	9	5	6	7	7
Perce	ent Change:												
	June 2003 from May 2003	-4.0%	-2.7%	(S)	-8.1%	-13.8%	-14.8%	-3.5%	-7.0%	-0.5%	2.4%	-6.2%	-4.2%
	90% Confidence Interval ²	± 8.3	\pm 8.0	(X)	± 35.2	± 24.5	± 13.7	± 27.2	± 18.6	± 9.6	± 11.0	± 15.0	\pm 18.3
	June 2003 from June 2002	5.2%	5.9%	(S)	6.1%	2.5%	-12.6%	32.7%	18.3%	0.9%	7.5%	-2.3%	2.5%
	90% Confidence Interval ²	± 8.3	± 8.9	(X)	± 26.3	± 27.8	± 17.9	± 23.8	± 24.8	± 11.8	± 13.6	± 14.7	± 16.6
							Not seasona	ılly adjusted	l				
2001		1,570.8	1,255.9	33.9	281.0	144.8	113.7	316.4	261.1	726.3	578.2	383.3	302.9
2002		1,648.4	1,325.1	35.0	288.2	147.9	113.3	329.8	272.0	757.8	614.8	412.8	325.0
RSE (%)	1	1	11	3	3	4	3	3	1	2	1	1
2002:	Year to Date	753.5	608.0	17.2	128.3	69.6	52.7	143.2	117.9	355.7	289.8	185.0	147.6
2003:	Year to Date	772.1	619.1	16.2	136.8	73.7	48.0	146.5	116.4	353.6	291.8	198.4	162.9
RSE (%)	3	3	27	11	15	12	8	9	4	5	6	7
	Year to Date Percent Change 3	2.5%	1.8%	-5.5%	6.6%	5.8%	-8.9%	2.3%	-1.3%	-0.6%	0.7%	7.3%	10.4%
	90% Confidence Interval ²	± 3.0	± 2.7	± 24.7	± 12.1	± 12.5	± 6.7	± 6.3	\pm 5.2	± 4.5	± 4.5	± 5.4	± 5.5
2002:	June	138.2	110.2	3.0	25.0	14.3	10.7	21.8	17.7	64.8	51.8	37.4	30.0
	July	136.6	105.1	2.9	28.6	11.7	9.4	26.8	20.0	65.2	50.5	33.0	25.2
	August	158.3	117.9	4.9	35.4	15.5	10.4	33.4	25.9	69.0	52.5	40.5	29.0
	September	146.6	119.8	2.7	24.1	12.3	10.4	31.9	26.5	66.2	55.2	36.1	27.8
	October	143.2	117.4	2.2	23.6	11.8	9.7	29.5	25.4	67.4	54.7	34.6	27.6
	November December	149.7 160.4	125.6 131.3	2.2 2.8	22.0 26.2	13.8 13.3	10.3 10.4	33.6 31.3	29.5 26.8	61.3 73.0	51.8 60.3	41.0 42.7	34.0 33.8
2002	•		00.1	2.4	10.0	0.5		10.4	160	56.0		20.2	22.0
2003:	January February	113.3 115.7	90.1 92.3	3.4 1.7	19.8 21.7	9.5 14.3	6.6 8.7	18.4 19.2	16.0 17.4	56.3 52.2	44.7 41.1	29.2 30.0	22.8 25.0
	March	125.4	101.0	3.5	20.9	8.6	5.5	25.3	19.9	57.7	47.9	33.8	27.7
	April ^r	129.5	105.2	3.1	21.3	11.0	7.6	27.4	22.0	59.7	50.3	31.4	25.3
	May ^r	143.5	114.2	2.5	26.8	15.9	10.3	27.9	20.8	62.3	51.9	37.4	31.2
	June ^p	144.7	116.3	2.1	26.3	14.5	9.3	28.3	20.2	65.5	56.0	36.5	30.9
Avara	ge RSE (%) ¹	4	4	26	13	15	11	10	9	5	6	7	7

^pPreliminary. ^rRevised. RSE Relative standard error. S Does not meet publication standards because tests for identifiable and stable seasonality do not meet reliability standards. X Not applicable.

 $^{^{1}}$ Average RSE for the latest 6-month period. 2 S

³ Computed using unrounded data.

 $^{^2\,\}mathrm{See}$ the Explanatory Notes in the accompanying text for an explanation of 90% confidence intervals